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2. WE HAVE CARRIED OUT REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS WITH
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PRESIDENCY, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND
A MOBUTU INTIMATE. ALL CLAIM OUR DEMARCHE IS IN PERFECT
CONSONANCE WITH ZAIRE'S OWN POLICY.

3. MOBUTU'S NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR NGANDA WAS NOT
AVAILABLE FRIDAY, SATURDAY OR MONDAY BECAUSE HE WAS IN
GBADOLITE AND PRESIDENTIAL CABINET DIRECTOR VUNDUWE HAS
BEEN OUT OF CIRCULATION BECAUSE OF HIS MOTHER'S DEATH. IN
THEIR ABSENCE, CHARGE TOOK THE OCCASION OF AN APRIL 30

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MEETING WITH JOSE ENDUNDU, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ROADS AND A FREQUENT VISITOR TO GBADOLITE, TO CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF DEMARCHE. ENDUNDU TOOK IT ON BOARD, COMMENTING ONLY THAT MOBUTU HAD BEEN CLOSE TO HABYARIMANA.

4. NGBANDA'S DIRECTOR OF CABINET, PROFESSOR EKAMBO, CALLED BACK MAY 2 TO SAY HIS BOSS WOULD NOT BE BACK BEFORE THE END OF THE DAY BUT THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH HIM IF THERE WAS AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PASS. WE SAID THERE WAS AND CHARGE MET WITH EKAMBO LATER IN THE DAY. AFTER LISTENING TO THE DEMARCHE, EKAMBO SAID THAT NGBANDA'S TRIP ON MOBUTU'S BEHALF TO NAIROBI, DAR, AND KAMPALA HAD BEEN TO TRANSMIT THE MESSAGE THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO INTERVENTION FROM NEIGHBORING STATES -- NEITHER MEN NOR ARMS -- AND THAT NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE FROM ANY OF THEIR TERRIOTIES TO FURTHER POISON THE ATMOSPHERE. EKAMBO THOUGHT HIS BOSS AND MOBUTU WOULD WELCOME THE FACT WE WERE MAKING THE SAME POINTS ESPECIALLY TO UGANDA. EKAMBO ALSO CONFIRMED MANY OF THE ELEMENTS OF MOBUTU'S ROLE AS REPORTED KINSHASA 2435 AND PREVIOUS MESSAGES. SPECIFICALLY THAT MOBUTU HAD MET WITH

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DELEGATIONS FROM BOTH THE RPF AND THE GOR IN AN ATTEMPT TO ORGANIZE A CEASE FIRE. HE SAID THAT THE ZAIRIAN ROLE WAS TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE ARUSHA PROCESS WHICH UNFORTUNATELY WAS BLOCKED RIGHT NOW.

5. ACTING POLITICAL COUNSELOR CALLED ON AMBASSADOR LOLONGA DELA LOKONGA, DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH AMERICAN AND ASIA BUREAU OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND OUR HIGHEST-LEVEL OFFICIAL INTERLOCUTOR IN THE BIRINDWA GOVERNMENT MAY 2. LOLONGA RECEIVED THE POINTS IN REFTEL WITH ATTENTION AND EXPRESSED HIS BELIEF THAT MOBUTU WOULD NOT/NOT ALLOW THE TRANSFER OF ARMS TO ANY PARTY IN RWANDA AT THIS TIME. WE RESPONDED THAT WE HOPED THAT LOLONGA WAS CORRECT AND THAT THE REPORTS WHICH WE HAVE SEEN TO THE CONTRARY WERE WRONG. LOLONGA BEMOANED ZAIRE'S POOR RELATIONS WITH UGANDA, WITH WHICH OTHERWISE HE WOULD HAVE EXPECTED ZAIRE TO WORK CLOSELY TO RESOLVE THE CRISIS IN RWANDA. HE DENIED THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OR FOREIGN MINISTER HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN THE ABORTIVE CEASEFIRE WHICH MOBUTU HAD TRIED TO BROKER OUT OF GBADOLITE OVER THE APRIL 23 WEEKEND.

6. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. YATES

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